

CHANCES GOOD FOR SUBSIDY BILL

Now Believed That Humphrey's Measure May Pass Congress.

NO AID FOR THE FREIGHTERS

Provisions of the Proposed Law Have Not Been Made Public as Yet.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, December 25.—It is now believed that a ship subsidy bill is in sight which can pass congress and meet with the approval of the President. The provisions of this bill have not yet been made public and will not be until January 4, when the bill will be introduced in the house. Representative Humphrey, the father of the bill, yesterday submitted several proposed amendments to the President for his consideration. It is understood that the amendments meet with the approval of the President.

The Humphrey bill provides for the extension of the four-dollar mail subsidy rate to the ships now eligible to the two-dollar rate which may ply between China, Australia, the Philippines, Japan and South America. The ships eligible to the two-dollar rate are those on the long runs which are not fast enough to make them eligible to the four-dollar rate. This bill does not provide any subsidy for freighters not carrying mail.

TWAIN'S DAUGHTER FOUND DEAD IN TUB

Believed That Epileptic Fit May Have Been the Cause of Her Death.

(By Associated Press.)

REDDING, Connecticut, December 24.—Miss Jeanne Clemens, the daughter of Mark Twain was today found dead in a bathtub. It is believed that death was due to an epileptic fit, the young woman having been afflicted with that disease for some time.

ZELAYA TRAVELS WITH AN ESCORT

Arrives at Corinto on Special Train Accompanied by Bodyguard.

(By Associated Press.)

CORINTO, December 25.—Former President Zelaya of Nicaragua arrived here yesterday, accompanied by a guard of fifty men and a Maxim gun. A special train brought the ex-President and his escort. It is believed that Zelaya is planning to leave the country.

DOCTOR COOK GETS YET ANOTHER JOLT

Explorers' Club Kicks Him Out and Rejects His Mount McKinley Claim.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, December 24.—The Explorers' Club has unanimously adopted a report which is adverse to Doctor Cook in regard to his claim that he climbed to the top of Mount McKinley. It is not believed that Cook reached the summit of McKinley. The report includes a resolution expelling Cook from the club.

DISASTROUS FLOODS IN SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

(By Associated Press.)

MADRID, December 24.—Disastrous floods are causing great anxiety throughout Spain and Portugal.

SATOLLI'S CONDITION IS EXTREMELY SERIOUS

(By Associated Press.)

ROME, December 24.—Cardinal Satolli is suffering from a relapse and his life is despaired of.

ALPHONSO OF SPAIN TO BE OPERATED UPON

(By Associated Press.)

MADRID, December 24.—King Alfonso is preparing to be operated upon. The King's condition is causing anxiety.

WATCH FOR SYMPTOMS OF CHOLERA

Do not allow group to develop. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will prevent the attack. Watch for the first symptoms, which is usually hoarseness, and give this remedy freely. It should always be kept in the home where there are young children. For sale by Benson Smith & Co., Ltd., agents for the Hawaiian Islands.

ISLAND PRESS ON POLITICS

Variety of Opinions Editorially Expressed Concerning Kuhio's Break.

Hawaii Herald.—A careful reading of the Kuhio difficulty, as given in the Honolulu papers, fails to show that the Delegate has left the Republican party. His trouble is, rather, with the dilatoriness of the administration in putting the land law into effect when citizens have sought their rights. It is this dilatoriness that has cost, and will cost, votes to the Republican party and a stirring up of departmental work would seem to be necessary. At the same time it should be remembered that the legislature invariably checks quick work on the part of the survey department by giving it small appropriations. In urging that the land be cut up the Delegate is simply following the recommendations of former President Roosevelt and of every public man almost who has ever visited these Islands.

The Political Bombshell.

Hilo Tribune.—The absolutely definite announcement made by Delegate Kalaniano'le to the effect that he is opposed, in toto, to the administration's attitude in land matters, has without doubt given rise to a serious and rather complicated political situation. It had, of course, been thought that the Delegate's retraction of his statement regarding the Governor in connection with the Kau homesteads had ended the situation, but his subsequent general statement made it even more of a puzzle.

In the mean time the cloud has some, if faint, silver linings. The island of Hawaii may have some satisfaction in the demonstration of the fact that, while the Waiohinu episode may have been, to use the homely proverb, the straw which broke the camel's back, it was not responsible for the ideas of the Prince with regard to the administration of the public lands, which have, according to the Delegate himself, been in his mind for a long time past, but was merely the cause for the expression thereof at this time. Consequently the claim which the Honolulu press is fond of making, namely that all political evils have their source and origin on this island, will be found to be false.

As a matter of fact, since it appears that the Delegate has been harboring his ideas concerning the administration for a long time past, even before the time of the Frear administration, as his reference to the Lanai sale shows, it may be fortunate that the crisis came to a head at this time, instead of later. It seems very evident that the explosion was bound to come at some time, and it was certainly better to have it now, than it would have been had it taken place at a time close to the election, when its political consequences might have been incalculable. As it is there is considerable time before the election in which many things may happen. In the mean time it would be well for local Republicans to sit tight and watch developments, rather than to try to take steps which may only aggravate the situation.

Reputation or Defeat.

Maui News.—While touring Hawaii Kuhio discovered a strong undercurrent of public opposition to the secretive and evasive tactics of Governor Frear and saw that he must repudiate some of the Governor's tactics or have the Republican party repudiated at the polls next fall. Kuhio showed a lack of tact in discussing the question and while gaining much among the poorer class has made a difficult task for himself in winning back the administration forces which he must have to be re-elected.

Frear is supported by the industrial leaders and while such support is of great value it isn't everything in a political campaign. It is idle to criticize Kuhio for what he didn't do at the conference with Frear before he had gone out among the rank and file of the electorate and learned their thoughts on public matters.

It is not too late for the Governor and the Delegate to get together. Frear needs the support of the public while Kuhio needs the administration forces. An adjustment of differences should prove valuable to both.

THE SIERRA INTENDS TO MAKE RECORDS

When the Oceanic liner Sierra makes her first trip across the Pacific from San Francisco to Honolulu as an oil burner, it will be one of the fastest voyages ever made between these two ports according to statements made by Oceanic company officials to Loyd Childs, who had charge of the Hawaiian exhibit at the Seattle Fair. Mr. Childs returned to Honolulu on the transport Dix.

Before leaving Seattle Mr. Childs received a cablegram from the company stating that the liner was being overhauled for the Honolulu traffic, and would be subject to charter for special excursions on the first two or three trips. Mr. Childs on his return to the Coast will endeavor to get up an excursion from Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane. He believes the time is ripe for such an excursion, inasmuch as a number of Honoluluites have been endeavoring to arrange for a steamer for just such a trip.

TURBINE STEAMERS FOR THE PACIFIC OCEAN

(By Associated Press.)

BOSTON, December 24.—It is reported that the big turbine passenger steamers Harvard and Yale are to be transferred to the Pacific, for use by the steel line.

NOTLEY OFFERS TO STEP OUT IN FAVOR OF KUHIO

Hilo Tribune.—Charlie Notley, the great leader of the Home Rule party, said last week that if Delegate Kalaniano'le were willing to run for Delegate at the next election at the head of the Home Rule ticket, he, Notley, would be perfectly willing to yield to him this place which he has filled for so many years.

Notley was in Hilo but a few hours, having arrived on Thursday afternoon bringing his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Heen, to Hilo, and leaving for Hamakua in the Mauna Kea the following morning. The talk about the report to the effect that the Delegate had withdrawn from the Republican party was all over the street, and Notley was asked by many politicians what his opinion of the situation was.

"I don't believe the report," said Notley. "I think that it is all hot air. I still think that Kuhio will get the nomination from the Republican party,

even though it be true that he has fallen out with the administration.

"However, if Kuhio has quit the Republican party and wants to run for Delegate on the Home Rule ticket, I am perfectly willing to step aside and to let him run in my place. I will only do so, however, on the understanding that Kuhio will agree to stand for the principles which I have stood for in the past. These are in the main the advocacy of changes in our land laws, altering them so that the poor people will have a chance to get their share of the public lands, and so that they may be enabled to get rich from the lands. As a matter of fact, we ought to have the New Zealand land laws introduced here, and this is what I have been fighting for the past four years, but I have been preaching to deaf ears. But, as I say, if the Prince is willing to stand for these principles, I am willing to step aside in his favor."

TWO THOUSAND HAPPY CLAMORERS IN THE LINE

Fifteen hundred children with passes and some uncounted hundreds without them filed past Santa Claus at the Malihini Christmas Tree and bore away all their arms could hold of presents.

The second Malihini Tree was a success, and the way seven hundred dolls located their seven hundred little mothers, the way eight hundred jackknives were tested for sharpness by grimy thumbs, the way two thousand oranges were sucked dry, the way a ton of candy served its best purpose, and the happiness that several piles of sundry toys brought to faces shiny with soap and expectation proved it.

The elements were kind, the rain holding off while the band played and until the last of the long procession of boys and girls filed past the tree in Bishop Park on Saturday morning. The committee and the willing helpers worked hard, their reward being in the evident joy they were supplying to the ones for whom they labored.

The whole affair was a delightful one, both for those who gave and those who received.

Under Open Sky.

Under the open sky, with Old Sol vainly endeavoring to get a peep at the strange spectacle, two thousand boys and girls of Honolulu paid homage to the malihini Santa Claus on Christmas morning. The nationalities of the children were many, and only a keen analyst could tabulate them, but in this motley crowd were big-eyed Hawaiians, queened Chinese, kimonoed Japanese, olive-tinted offspring of sons and daughters of Sunny Italy, Portugal and Spain; tow-headed descendants of the worshipers of Thor and Woden; black urchins from the Antilles, and many bright-eyed haoles who were just plain American boys and girls. It was a conglomerate mixture of the races that passed in review before Santa Claus and spectators, numbering almost as many as the little ones who received gifts.

It was an army of children which passed before the beautifully decorated tree in the grounds of Bishop Park opposite the Young Hotel, and an army of adults watched the little ones as they received the presents to which all Honolulu contributed that the beautiful custom, established a year ago by a number of homesome and wealthy Americans, who knew of no better way to spend Christmas than to make poor children happy, might be perpetuated and become an annual event. Last year the presents were given to the children by the generous-hearted malihinis, but this year, save for a few strangers, the presents were handed to the army of little ones by kamaainas.

The day before Christmas the big tree arrived and was planted in the pretty park and decorated with all manner of gaudy-colored trimmings, with yards and yards of tinsel streaming from its branches and the tip surmounted by an American flag. Strings of pennants were festooned about the grounds, giving a very picturesque effect.

Children Came Early.

Saturday morning a quartet of big Hawaiian policemen arrived at the grounds and stood guard, two by two, at the entrance and exit to the park, for children began arriving early. Each held a white ticket, one of the fifteen hundred issued by those in charge of the tree celebration. Then came an energetic corps of kamaainas who placed tables in front of the tree and upon these broad platforms arranged dozens and scores of toys, dolls, flags, jackknives, pocket knives and general joy-bringers. Trustees supplied by Sheriff Jarrett from the station brought in boxes of fine-looking oranges and buckets of candies. The goods which had been stored in the promotion committee rooms were carried across the street, passing under the critical inspection of boys and girls armed with tickets.

Then came autos bringing spectators, until finally Bishop street was lined with chug-wagons. P. W. Rider of the Kakako Mission was early on hand to be a shepherd to his flock of poor children, of so many nationalities that even Mr. Rider has stopped counting them when he reached twenty-three. Then came children from Palama, and Kalihi, Paea, Palolo and Manoa valleys. Every section of the city was fully represented. Those in charge looked out over the great assemblage of little ones and gasped, for they wondered whether there would be enough toys from Santa Claus' capacious shoulder sack. The street continued to fill up with big and little people. Then the windows of the Young Hotel became animated with spectators, and the parapet of the roof garden was black with humanity. The park was invaded by adults who gradually extended a line until they filled the background behind the tree. The rail bordering the park was crowded. People were everywhere and the police had to exercise considerable ingenuity to keep the crowd from literally pouring through the entrance.

Fleets of Music.

Then the Hawaiian band came, led by Kapellmeister Berger, and took station in a space between the two park openings and directly opposite the tree. With the kapellmeister and his band boys present, it was a sure sign that the festive could go on.

While the band was playing Old

when Santy said in Hawaiian: "Don't be scared; I won't eat you." To think that Santa Claus could talk to them in their native tongue was reassuring and they came forward and soon they were a very happy lot of little fellows bearing candies, toys, whips, pocket knives and oranges. One boy, the smallest of all, could not get over his fright and was picked up and carried along the line by a newspaperman, and when he had reached the end of the line and found himself the possessor of so many treasures, he let his tears dry and looked around to see whether his little fellows had more than himself.

These boys were all from the Kalihi Home for Boys. They were brought to the Christmas tree, with older girls from the home for girls as chaperones, in Ed. Lewis' big sightseeing auto. It was their first auto ride, too, and to Mr. Lewis they looked up as a superior sort of being. Last year Mr. Lewis took a lot of people to the Kalihi homes and received so much per passenger. He found that these people were contributing toward a Christmas for the inmates and then contributed all he had collected and more too. He remembered the little ones, and this year brought as many as he could to the tree.

Busy Committee.

As the line began to pass more rapidly before the tree, the people who had volunteered their services to help pass the toys over had their hands full. First there were ladies to pass out the candy; then more ladies passed over dolls to the girls and some gentlemen passed knives to the boys; then there were toys at the adjoining tables, and oranges and more toys. It was a busy line, and in this tropical Honolulu the men worked with coats off and the ladies removed their wraps. It was a barefooted line of children that passed by, few wearing shoes or stockings.

As the children passed the line of tables into the big open green sward beyond, the girls set the example of sitting down upon the grass to spread their belongings out that they might take account of their gifts. There were little parties of two and three and four and sometimes eight. They gazed upon their possessions and now and then effected a trade. They were oblivious to the interest the spectators manifested in their little picnic parties.

Toward the end of the gift-giving, when nearly two thousand had passed, a small boy asked if the tree people did not have a flag. "Gimme a flag, please, mister; I jest want a flag. Sure I want it." A bundle of flags was found and one was passed out to him, and he bore it off proudly, flaunting it and leaping as he went.

A Little Rain.

Old Sol was beaming pleasantly on the proceedings, but Boreas took a hand, and, passing a film over Sol's face, breathed upon the multitude and then the heavens opened, for about three minutes a deluge of rain soaking things, but Sol quickly dispelled this violent demonstration and shone as brilliantly as ever.

Supply Exhausted.

After all the ticket-holders had been passed in, the little fellows who had no tickets were gathered in groups and sent through the lines, but there is an end to all things, and as the last boy was passed, the last of the toys, fruits and candies gave out. The band played a final selection, and the multitude melted away, leaving the grounds looking like a last year's bird nest.

Several malihinis from the various hotels assisted kamaainas in passing out the toys. Among them were Miss Van Schuyver of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Benson of Seattle, Mr. and Mrs. McLaren of Seattle, and Mrs. Boggs of Salt Lake. Among the kamaainas who had charge of affairs, or assisted, were Judge and Mrs. Dole, Mrs. Walter Hoffmann, Mrs. Sarah Angus, Mr. and Mrs. George W. R. King, Mrs. A. E. Murphy, R. O. Matheson, Miss McLain, Miss Rose Davidson, Miss Thelma Murphy, Miss Martha McChesney, Mrs. Gardner Wilder, Misses Angus, Mrs. Arnold, Messrs. Lemon, Clark, May, Heine and Connors, Charles Crane was Santa Claus.

Original Malihinis.

The malihinis who planted the first tree in 1908 were Mr. and Mrs. Jackson of South Dakota; their cousin, Mr. Cassidy; Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Bryan and daughter, Miss Margaret Bryan, of Rochester, New York; and the Misses Murphy of Helena, Montana.

ISAAC TESTA, WELL-KNOWN HAWAIIAN, DEAD

Isaac Testa, a well-known young Hawaiian, whose home is on Kalihi road, died on Christmas Day of dropsy, at his home. The deceased was a printer, recently of the Star, who until a few months ago was with the Hawaiian Gazette Company. He was particularly well liked by his employers



The Late Isaac Testa.

and by his fellow workers, among whom he set an example of industry and thrift. While with the Gazette he instituted a savings association among the men, as a result of which thousands of dollars were saved and invested.

Mr. Testa was a quiet man, but one who had a large circle of devoted friends. His death is a loss to the Hawaiians, among whom he was a leader in the right direction.

The schooner Eya arrived at Mahukona on Thursday with lumber.

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EAST IN GRIP OF GREAT STORM

FALL OF SNOW STOPS TRAFFIC

Gale Drives the Sea Into Cities' Streets—Suffering and Death Reported.

(By Associated Press.)

PHILADELPHIA, December 27.—The worst storm for years is raging along the Atlantic coast. In this city the snow has fallen twenty-two inches deep on the level and it has drifted in places to a height of ten feet.

Railroad service is disrupted and trains throughout the country are stalled.

Three persons are known to have died here yesterday as a result of exposure to the cold.

Boston Suffers.

BOSTON, December 27.—A disastrous storm is raging throughout the New England States, this city seeming to be the storm center.

Yesterday the tide, driven by the gale, reached the highest point on record here, the rushing waters being driven across the docks and on to the lowlying streets along the waterfront. Three persons have been drowned.

The electric wires are down and the railroads are blocked. Millions of dollars' worth of property has been damaged.

Many towns and cities along the coast are in darkness, the lighting system being rendered useless through broken poles and tangled wires.

WIFE DIES IN DRUNKEN STUPOR

Death lurked in the orgy of Kaelelo and his wife on Christmas Day and picked the wife, Kahiki, for a victim the next morning. Together with several friends, the two had spent the entire day drinking and continued the debauch well into the night, until the woman laid down in a drunken stupor and fell asleep. Kaelelo laid down a minute later and, after the guests had gone, also went to sleep. At two o'clock in the morning he woke up and, attempting to awaken his wife, found her dead beside him.

They were living in a tenement on the mauka-Ewa corner of Kukui and Nuuanu avenue and the small room and the mattresses in it are wine-stained and until cleaned out reeked with gin. With the dead body of his wife beside him, Kaelelo did his best to drink himself to death also, and it was only because the liquor ran out that he did not succeed.

Neighbors on the same floor heard the old man weeping about two o'clock and investigation showed him to be also in a drunken stupor and hardly realizing the tragedy that had happened. He slept the balance of the evening on the mattress with the dead woman.

In the morning he arose sober, fully appreciative of his bereavement. There was still a half demijohn of wine left and some gin, and, making no attempt to have the body removed and with the declaration that he wanted to go make and that they might as well enjoy themselves even if his wife was dead, seized and finished the entire amount.

He continued the second orgy, alternately laughing and weeping, until the liquor ran out and the police came to take charge of the body of his wife. He is an old man approaching sixty-six, long faced and smooth-shaven, slightly bent with age, and last night, seen mourning over the coffin in the undertaking parlors, showed unmistakable signs of the debauch.

License Inspector Fennell will make an attempt to trace up the seller of the liquor and have a sample of the gin and wine analyzed to determine whether or not there were any injurious adulterations in it.

TEN THOUSAND AS A CHRISTMAS GIFT

The children's hospital received a Christmas gift of \$10,000, in six per cent. bonds, from the Mary Castle Trust. This fine contribution brings the endowment fund up to \$75,000.

The hospital was ready to receive patients last Monday, and four little ones came in during the first week. With a corps of gentle, trained nurses and assistants, with Doctor Heidemann as physician and Doctor Judd as surgeon, and a complete equipment, the hospital is prepared to care for all children who may be presented.

KUHIO AND FREAR TOGETHER.

Delegate Kuhio arrived yesterday at San Francisco, on the steamship Kona. Governor Frear, on his way back to Honolulu, is thought to be now in San Francisco also. It is probable that the two will meet and have an opportunity to talk over the land bill which the Governor took to Washington and had introduced in the Delegate's name into the house.